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# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday, April 13, 2021

**TIME:** Rise of the House

**PLACE:** House Lounge - State House

### SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [5394](#)**

**BY Cortvriend, Ruggiero, Shekarchi, Bennett, Handy, Cassar, McGaw, Henries, Kislak**  
**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -  
PRESERVATION OF FAMILIES WITH DISABLED PARENT ACT {LC480/1} (Precludes a  
parent's disability from serving as the sole basis for the state to institute an investigation of the  
disabled parent's family.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/18/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/23/2021 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/09/2021 Scheduled for consideration

### SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [5985](#)**

**BY Solomon, Knight, Craven**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- RHODE ISLAND TITLE INSURERS  
ACT {LC2082/1} (Provides that only RI attorneys can act as title insurance agents and determine  
insurability and marketability. Limits discount title insurance premiums and restricts sharing  
premiums.)

02/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/02/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/05/2021 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6171](#)**

**BY Kislak, McNamara, Potter, Felix, Alzate, Cassar, Cortvriend, Ajello, Donovan, Henries**  
**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PROTECTION OF  
CHILDREN -- PHYSICAL SEX CHARACTERISTICS SURGERY ACT {LC2509/1} (Prohibits  
physical sex characteristics surgery for children under 12 years of age, except to address an  
immediate risk of physical harm. Provides for a private course of action for violations with a 10  
year statute of limitations.)

03/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

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04/02/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/02/2021 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6152](#)**

**BY Williams, Ajello, Henries, McGaw, Batista, Kislak, Biah, Giraldo, Alzate, Morales ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' BILL OF RIGHTS {LC39/1} (Amends law enforcement officers' bill of rights.)

03/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6153](#)**

**BY Williams, Ajello, Henries, McGaw, Batista, Kislak, Biah, Giraldo, Alzate, Morales ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' BILL OF RIGHTS {LC2537/1} (Amends the law enforcement officers' bill of rights to provide greater accountability in the disciplinary process over law enforcement officers.)

03/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5613](#)**

**BY Noret, Hull**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' BILL OF RIGHTS {LC1192/1} (Increases committee in law enforcement officers' bill of rights hearing to 5, three as permanent. Hearings commenced in 15 days, allow for summary suspension of 5 days and would mandate pay suspended while the case is pending.)

02/18/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5993](#)**

**BY Batista, Williams, Morales, Felix, Alzate**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RISHOD K. GORE JUSTICE IN POLICING ACT OF 2021 {LC2010/1} (Provides police reform by requiring body cameras and makes certain methods of restraint a felony such as chokeholds and using the foot as a weapon.)

02/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5728](#)**

**BY Speakman, Knight, Henries, Filippi**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY {LC2039/1} (Authorizes state police to provide  
retention/storage of municipal police officers body camera footage.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5995](#)**

**BY Felix, Knight, Potter, Henries, Batista, Kazarian, Barros, S Lima, Alzate, Ranglin-Vassell**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT AN ACT RELATING CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SENTENCE AND  
EXECUTION {LC1512/1} (Codifies the factors that a court must consider in imposing a sentence  
on a criminal defendant.)

02/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6104](#)**

**BY Batista**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- POLICE  
OFFICERS -- COMMISSION ON STANDARDS AND TRAINING {LC2011/1} (Requires all  
police officers to be certified through the municipal police training academy and complete  
mandatory continuing education and create a process in which the police may be decertified for  
failure to maintain proper certification.)

03/03/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6145](#)**

**BY Felix, Craven, McEntee, Potter, Kislak, Alzate, Shanley, Batista, Caldwell, Ajello**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SENTENCE AND  
EXECUTION {LC2507/1} (Provides for an earned compliance credits system to be used to reduce  
sentence duration and help reduce prison overcrowding.)

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6148](#)**

**BY Batista, Williams, Morales, Potter, Henries, Alzate**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - SENTENCE AND  
EXECUTION {LC2463/1} (Mandates the courts to release defendant on alleged probation  
violation.)

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6174](#)**

**BY McNamara, Craven, McEntee**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DNA DEFENDER ADVOCATES PROGRAM {LC2337/1} (Establishes a volunteer DNA defender advocates program for law students.)

03/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5883](#)**

**BY Noret, Casimiro, Vella-Wilkinson, Corvese, Solomon, Craven, Amore, Casey, S Lima, J Lombardi**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS {LC1142/1}

(Requires each police officer during qualification and training sessions to fire a minimum of three hundred rounds effective July 1, 2021.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5884](#)**

**BY Noret, Casey, Fellela, Casimiro, Knight, Baginski, Vella-Wilkinson, Corvese**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS {LC1630/1}

(Mandates that police officers qualify in the use of firearms two (2) times per year instead of one time annually.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5885](#)**

**BY Noret, Casey, Fellela, Casimiro, Knight, Baginski, Vella-Wilkinson, Corvese**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS {LC1628/1}

(Mandates that police officers qualify in the use of firearms in both daylight and nighttime conditions two (2) times per year and that correctional officers qualify every year instead of once every two (2) years.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5869](#)**

**BY Noret, Casimiro, Vella-Wilkinson, Corvese, Craven, Hull**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS {LC739/1}

(Includes sworn law enforcement officers and Rhode Island state troopers in the group of persons who may obtain the name, address and telephone numbers of persons to whom nonpublished service is furnished.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/09/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**The State House remains closed to in-person testimony.**

The meeting will be televised on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15, and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers.

It will also be live streamed at <http://rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx> .

**WRITTEN TESTIMONY**

Written testimony is strongly encouraged and may be submitted via

**HouseJudiciary@rilegislature.gov**

**Indicate your name, bill number, and viewpoint (for/against/neither) at top of message.**

**Due to high volume, clerks are not screening this inbox for verbal testimony requests.**

**This inbox is for written testimony only.**

DEADLINE: Written testimony should be submitted no later than three (3) hours prior to the posted meeting time. Every effort will be made to share written testimony submitted before the deadline with committee members prior to the hearing. Testimony received after deadline will be sent to committee members and posted to the website as soon as possible.

**For faster processing, it is recommended that testimony is submitted as a PDF file.**

**Testimony will be posted on the General Assembly website,**

**<http://www.rilegislature.gov/Special/comdoc/Pages/HJUD.aspx> .**

**VERBAL TESTIMONY**

Due to the extremely high volume of requests, and in order to accommodate as many constituents as possible, please take note of the revised procedure for verbal testimony:

**\*DEADLINE: Requests for verbal testimony must be submitted via the link, by 4:00 PM on Monday, April 12, 2021.**

For verbal testimony requests, [CLICK HERE](#)

Verbal testimony accepted on any bill scheduled for "Hearing and/or Consideration" only

The committee is unable to designate a specific time that you will be called. In the event you are unavailable when called, witnesses are urged to submit written testimony.

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